निर्धारित मानदंडों को पूरा करने के लिए उपयुक्त सुविधाएं उपलब्ध हैं तथा 2 बन्द हो चुकी हैं।

Foreign aid for Afforestation Schemes in Eastern Ghats

*220. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sought foreign aid to take up afforestation schemes in the Eastern Ghats;

(b) if so, the details of finances sought;

(c) the details of institutions which were approached; and

(d) the status of such efforts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (d) Foreign aid has not been sought specifically for afforestation in the Eastern Ghat area. However, externally assisted forestry projects are under implementation in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Orissa, which include afforestation in the Eastern Ghats as well.

A Statement showing the details of external assistance sought, project-wise and state-wise, names of the external donor agencies and status of the projects and proposals is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Name of the External Donor Agency	State	Project Period	External Assistance (in Million)	Present Status
(i)	Andhra Pradesh Forestry Project	World Bank	Andhra Pradesh	1994-1995 to 1999-2000	US $ 77.4	As on 31.3.95 an expenditure of Rs. 12.90 crore has been incurred and an area of 10628 ha. have been covered.
(ii)	Social Forestry Project	Swedish International Development Agency	Tamil Nadu	1988-89 to 1993-94 (Subsequently extended to 1995-96)	SEK 313	As on 31.3.95, an expenditure of Rs. 136.89 crore has been incurred and an area of 130038 ha. have been covered.
(iii)	Social Forestry Project	Swedish International Development Agency	Orissa	1988-89 to 1993-94 (Subsequently extended to 1995-96)	SEK 263	As on 31.3.95, an expenditure of Rs. 126.88 crore has been incurred and an area of 213927 ha. have been covered.
(iv)	Orissa Forestry Sector Development Programme	Swedish International Development Agency	Orissa	Not yet Launhed	Rs. 1575	SIDA has agreed in principle to support this project. An expert team from SIDA is on visit to Orissa for appraisal of the project to finalise it.